

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To declare the existence of an emergency with respect to the need to amend the Historic Preservation of Derelict District Properties Act of 2016 to extend the completion date for rehabilitation of houses in Historic Anacostia.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this act may be cited as the “Historic Preservation of Derelict District Properties Extension Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2023”.

Sec. 2. (a) Emergency legislation is necessary to allow the L’Enfant Trust to continue to rehabilitate two remaining historic homes in Anacostia for resale as workforce housing.

(b) In 2016, the Council adopted legislation to transfer four historic properties held by the District to the L’Enfant Trust for their rehabilitation and resale at no cost to the District.

(c) As of March 2023, two of the four properties have been renovated and sold.

(d) The L’Enfant Trust is ready to sell one of the two remaining properties, and the other should be completed within the next 3 years as the Trust continues to identify grants and other resources to complete the renovation.

(e) An extension of the time to sell the properties is necessary for the Trust to complete renovation and sale of the homes.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia finds that the circumstances enumerated in section 2 constitute emergency circumstances making it necessary that the “Historic

34 Preservation of Derelict District Properties Extension Emergency Amendment Act of 2023” be  
35 adopted after a single reading.

36 Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.